

VOLUNTEER CORNER

Volunteers in Police Service (VIPS)

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When Robyn McDonald moved to Sequim from Reno, Nevada seven years ago, she knew she was going to need to find something to do. The mother of a friend suggested that she look into volunteering for the Police Department,

because of her own positive experience volunteering in California.

Robyn had left a career in sales management and had no previous experience with law enforcement. The VIPS program turned to be a good fit, and she's been volunteering for the past five and a half years.

"I'm ready to try anything," Robyn said about why the VIPS program works for her. "I do something different every day and I enjoy the variety. It helps that I can think quickly," she added.

Robyn's responsibilities include office administration, vacation house watch, concealed pistol licensing, and any other duties that are needed, including helping to recruit new VIPS to the program. In late June, Robyn helped to staff a booth at the Sequim Farmer's Market letting the public know about becoming a part of the VIPS program.

"Volunteering gives me a reason to get out of bed in the morning. I know someone is counting on me to be someplace. It's also really nice to know that I'm helping other people. I want to make people feel comfortable and ease their situation, especially if it's a difficult one," Robyn said.

To learn more about how you can volunteer with the City, contact City Clerk Karen Kuznek-Reese at 681-3428 or kkuznek@sequimwa.gov.